

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 6405

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by: (VA)

## AN ACT EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MILITARY SUPPORT PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 17a-453d of the general statutes is repealed and
- 2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):
- The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, in
- 4 collaboration with the Department of Children and Families, shall
- 5 provide behavioral health services, on a transitional basis, for the
- 6 dependents and any member of any [reserve] component of the armed
- 7 forces of the United States who has been called to active service in the
- 8 armed forces of this state or the United States for Operation Enduring
- 9 Freedom or Operation Iraqi Freedom. Such transitional services shall
- 10 be provided when no Department of Defense coverage for such
- 11 services is available or such member is not eligible for such services
- 12 through the Department of Defense, until an approved application is
- 13 received from the federal Department of Veterans' Affairs and
- 14 coverage is available to such member and such member's dependents.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2009	17a-453d	
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